PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Toshinori NAGAHASHI

Application No.: New US Application

Filed: January 23, 2004 Docket No.: 118464

For: IMAGE RETRIEVING DEVICE, METHOD FOR ADDING KEYWORDS IN IMAGE

RETRIEVING DEVICE, AND COMPUTER PROGRAM THEREFOR

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims;

Remarks.